True to Code of the Gang Until Death Closes Eyes

MAN dying in Gouverneur hospitul from a bullet wound shook hands this morning with another man, accused of having shot him, and said, with a grin, somewhat forced and ghastly, "Hello, Scoop," says the New York Evening Post. Then to the detectives who had caught Scoop, the dying man said, ewhy, of course he ain't the man who did me; he's my old pal."

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The man on the hospital cot was hoping of course to get well and attend to Scoop himself, according to the code of the gaugs. He did not wish to help the police put his rival out of his

Hence the handshake and the "Hello, Sceop."
Two hours earlier, when Detective Cunnliffe caught Luidi Scupulo, better known as Scoop, as he climbed down the fire escapes from the rear window of the third floor of No. 59 High street, Brooklyh, and pointed a 33-caliber revolver at his head, the prisoner exclaimed: "I am in bad for this. Did he squeal? I've got two bullet wounds in me from him—and I never snitched."

Besides this admission, the detectives say that they have the evidence of sev-

Borganzi went over to the Mandarin Borganzi went over to the Mandarin restaumant building to convey the warning message. But Paddy had heard of his danger and was on guard against sudden attack. When Borganzi entered the dark hallway, Paddy thought that he was an enemy. So he stabbed the friendly messenger, twisting the knife around three times to make sure that his work would be good. Borganzi is dying at St. Gregory's hospital.

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The messenger's cry brought the other Hughes to the hallway on the run. When he saw what had happened to the bartender and the peril looming up for his brother, he grabbed Paddy and started him on his run to cover. The two men fled across Chatham Square to East Broadway and down East Broadway into Market street, where they met Scoop and several members of his gang.

There was a truce for a minute.

Billy tried to make peace between Scoop and his gang, but the latter pre-

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Paddy Hughes had not joined in the chase. He had stayed by his injured brother until the ambulance had taken the man away to the hospital. To the police who pressed him for the name of the assailant, he would say nothing. Detectives know the futility of asking gangsters to "peach," so they turned their efforts to some of the spectators, who described the fugitive who had done the shooting as a man with a long scar running from his ear to his nose. This description was sufficient for headquarters, which has a record of a gang fight in which Scoop received that cut across the face. They also knew Scupulo's ways and haunts, so they went to the house on High street, accompanied by three policemen, and went upstairs and pounded on a door three flights up. Detective Lemon had, meanwhile, taken up his post in the back yard, so when the gang man came down the iron ladders, he caught him at the ground.

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Ligaturing of the arm or leg, including matter of minutes or very many seconds; in fact, it may seem synchronous, the rattle and the bite.

The skin of a fine six foot, many buttened rattler will make up into showy belts, pocket books, etc., and in this way a use is found for him; Yes, again, upon him the time clapsing between the rattling warning and the strike is not a matter of minutes or very many seconds; in fact, it may seem synchronous,

tism, is also a product and, in a pinch may be eaten. But, inasmuch as there are plenty of other things out of which to make belts and pocket books; that the shelves of the druggist are heavy with "sure cure" rheumatism remedies; and, in the presence of other things to eat, you again find yourself asking just what economic purposes a rattlesnake performs in pature, except, perhaps, to

nelp balance it.

He wouldn't, be such a bad fellow were it not for those hypodermic needles and the little syringes filled with yellow lightning venom in his upper jaws, well to the rear. He's a good surgeon and knows exactly how to send the venom home the moment the needle has pierced its way. If he is striking his teeth will point forward and puncture you like thy stilettees, and when holding his prey they point well inward, this being entirely a matter of control, the teeth being set in muscles in the roof of the

mouth.

On the plains they enjoy the warmth of your blanket provided they can run the gauntlet of your hair rope. What libertles a rattler would allow you to take in the way of shaking him out of your blanket or kielding him out into his own place I don't know, but I am inclined to think that, like the frozen wiper warmed to the know, but warmed to the beautiful not be would not the state of the beautiful not be successful. incined to think that, like the frozen-viper warmed to life, he would not heritate to rattle and strike.

The woods are full of snake remedies, from the magic stone that, when placed against the wound, turns green because of the poison absorbed, and the old standby, whisky. Now, there are those who, bitten, would succumb rather than admit that whisky saved their life, and there are those who would risk the bite of a rattler to enjoy the sensation of helding a quart or two of whisky, and remaining solor.

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That's a curious thing about the venom of a rattlesnake; it seems to take the fusel oil out of whisky and leaves it as harmless as spring water.

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tell the story.

No doubt many uses can be found for a rattler's existence and yet when you have your gun with you and you find

away, tearing the fangs loose. And with the fangs out then the poison sacs can be removed, as you would cut out a tumor, when his snakeship becomes a respectable member of the community or the first time.

When in confinement behind a glass partition he will resent too close an inspection and will spit his venom against the glass with considerable He wes to bask in the open and

will sometimes lie stretched at full length in the dusty road for an hour or so. And when the cold weather ap-proaches he will crawl into a rocky proaches he will crawl into a rocky retreat and there remain in a comacose condition until the warm spring sun draws him forth from his den to again begin his battle for existence.

There may be those who, even by the case of a rattler, can practise the proverb of live and let live, but in our experience we rarely, if ever, have men a rattler or knew a man who did, but what the overmastering desire to slay prevailed.—San Francisco Call.

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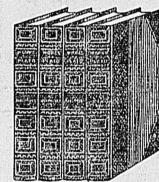
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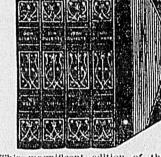
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